

REGION III ICC
Minutes for May 7, 2007

Present:

Nancy Henry, TL Infant Tracking
Denise Brandvold, RDDPA
Marcia Schneider, Exp. Parent
Wendy Olson, DD
Nancy Brustad, LR KIDS Coordinator
Keith Gustafson, LRSEU Fiscal Agent
Cheryl Wold, East Central SEU Director
Judy Freund, Parent
Lori Grann, Parent
Gaylene Belgarde, TL Sp. Ed. Director &
Preschool Special Needs
Deb Balsdon, DSD Administrator
Erin Bommersbach, Right Track/LR KIDS
Connie Booth, DDCM
Rose Grimson, LR KIDS

AGENDA REPORT:

1. Introductions were done. Trainings and Conferences:

Family Connections Conference: This will be held June 14, 15, & 16, 2007, at the Best Western doublewood Inn in Fargo. There are Part C funds available for parents with children under age 3 and professionals working with these children.

The keynote speakers will be Michael Winer from Portland, Oregon and Dr. Diane Hovey from Maplewood, Minnesota.

There is a pre-conference to the Family Connections Conference on Tuesday, June 13, from 9 – 4:30. The topic for the pre-conference is Supporting Families. The registration for this pre-conference is \$15.

There will be a family picnic on June 14, 2007 in Lindenwood Park.

Is it sensory? Or Is it behavior? Will held at the Anne Carlsen Center for Children on June 4-5, 2007. Call 1-800-568-5175 for more information.

On September 14, 2007 there will be a training “Brain Based Research” at MSU.

2. Right Track Program/LR KIDS update:

Erin Bommersbach reported that the screeners are using the Battelle Screening. Erin attended a genetics conference in Fargo. She stated it was very good – lots of information.

Nancy Brustad stated as of today there are 45 children enrolled in the program. There are several referrals/evaluations that in process at this time.

3. Experienced Parent Program:

Marcia reported on EP program activities. A quarterly newsletter continues to be sent out to all LR KIDS families and RICC. Marcia did assist with one evaluation. She has distributed information regarding legislative issues/bills. She makes family contacts when needed and/or

requested. Marcia is working on contacting families regarding the conference in June. She has one "gold ticket" to give to a family in our region. The Special Education units also each have one ticket. There will be 50 tickets available statewide.

4. **Quality Improvement Plan & the Regional Compliance Work Plan:**

Deb discussed the QIP and the State Plan. She talked about the indicators and what needs to be in compliance for Federal requirements. There will be a family outcomes meeting with the Experienced Parents. She talked about what is allowable in the Family Subsidy Program and reimbursement for the mileage, lodging, and meals for in-state and out of state travel. The follow up transition training meeting will be on May 18, 2007 in Devils Lake at the LRHSC. The ED training guidelines were completed statewide. The Part C Guidelines were discussed with some of the changes being highlighted. There are two audiologists in the state that are willing to discuss the use of the hearing screening and assist with training and provide technical assistance. Some of the issues the Regional ICC will need to address are: location of services in the natural environment, child find. Benson, Eddy, and Towner Counties are down in numbers at this time. The data to develop the QIP will be sent to the Regions the week of May 14th. The QIP is due at the end of June. The data will be sent out to the public in a report. The Family Subsidy/Family support Services application is being updated and will be ready to use by July 1, 2007.

Other Agency Items discussed:

DDCM at LRHSC will have a Licensure review on May 11, 2007.

Gaylene Belgarde and Nancy Henry stated they do not have a speech/language therapist in Belcourt. They continue to try to recruit.

Judy Freund attended the state ICC meeting.

Keith Gustafson stated he is assisting the Belcourt School in writing the preschool outcomes.

Cheryl Wold stated one of the children that transitioned into the preschool program dropped out.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting is August 6, 2007 at 10:00 at the Lake Region Human Service Center East/West Conference Room.

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